



# IDAHO CROP WEATHER

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## Spring Grain Planting Progresses

### Agricultural Summary

During the past week, temperatures throughout the state were slightly below average, ranging from 34 to 46 degrees at night and from 66 to 81 degrees during the day. The state received moisture in most areas, ranging from a low of 0.01 inches around Grace to high of 2.64 inches in the Hill City area. For the week ending May 22, major agricultural activities in some areas included spraying and cultivating sugarbeets, planting spring grains, potatoes, and field corn.

### Livestock, Pasture and Range Report

Hay and Roughage supplies were reported to be 3% very short, 21% short, 75% adequate, and 1% surplus. Ranchers are repairing fences and preparing summer ranges for cattle.

### Crop Progress Table

Percentages	2005	2004	Avg
Field Corn Planted	76	94	84
Field Corn Emerged	32	58	41
Oats Planted	72	97	88
Oats Emerged	59	79	64
Dry Beans Planted	25	35	26
Dry Peas Planted	93	100	92
Dry Peas Emerged	89	100	70
Lentils Planted	95	100	88
Lentils Emerged	87	100	54

### Field Crop Report

Statewide, winter wheat remains mostly in good or excellent condition, with 72% jointed and 16% in the boot stage. Spring Wheat is 4% jointed, while Barley is 9% jointed. Cassia County Extension Educators reported that the irrigation water supply has been extended by approximately one month. Jerome County Extension Educators reported seeing the beginning of some weed problems in sugarbeet fields. Field cultivation has been slow due to wet weather. Power County Extension Educators have seen black grass bugs again this spring in the Arbon Valley. Producers in Franklin, Caribou, and Bear Lake counties were able to get in the fields, and resume planting spring grains.

### Soil Moisture and Days Suitable for Fieldwork

Topsoil moisture was reported to be 3% short, 54% adequate, and 43% surplus. Statewide, Idaho farmers had an average of 2.9 days suitable for fieldwork last week.

### Condition Table

Percentages	Very Poor	Poor	Fair	Good	Excellent
Winter Wheat	--	1	4	72	23
Spring Wheat	--	--	9	59	32
Barley	--	--	12	40	48
Irr. Water Supply	6	17	29	38	10
Range & Pasture	--	--	9	52	39

### Crop Progress District Table

Crop	North			Southwest			South-Central			East			State		
	2005	2004	Avg	2005	2004	Avg	2005	2004	Avg	2005	2004	Avg	2005	2004	Avg
Spring Wheat															
Planted .....	98	100	95	100	100	100	100	100	100	82	100	99	89	100	98
Emerged .....	92	92	70	100	100	100	97	100	100	73	90	89	82	92	87
Barley															
Planted .....	98	99	93	100	100	100	98	100	100	66	94	95	78	97	96
Emerged .....	87	92	65	100	100	100	95	99	98	54	65	75	69	78	80
Potatoes															
Planted .....	NA	NA	NA	100	100	100	68	100	98	60	87	84	65	91	89
Emerged .....	NA	NA	NA	79	95	80	7	43	26	1	2	6	8	19	16
Sugarbeets															
Emerged .....	NA	NA	NA	100	100	100	98	99	95	100	100	94	99	100	96
Alfalfa Hay															
1 <sup>st</sup> Cutting Harvested	--	7	1	4	25	34	3	30	18	--	1	1	2	14	12

Avg (2000-2004); NA = Very Small Percentage of Acreage in District.

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# Weather Data For The Week Ending Sunday, May 22, 2005 <sup>1/</sup>

Station	Temperature <sup>2/</sup>				Growing Degree Days <sup>4/</sup>			Precipitation (Inches)				
	High	Low	Ave.	Dept. <sup>3/</sup>	40° Base	50° Base		Total	Dept <sup>3/</sup>	Month of May	March 1	
						To Date	Normal				To Date	Normal
<b>North</b>												
Coeur D'Alene	66	41	53	-2	674	184	119	0.51	-0.09	0.83	2.63	5.56
Grangeville 5/	63	38	--	--	475	74	25	2.35	1.52	5.03	10.40	7.67
Lewiston	69	46	57	-3	1046	342	227	0.82	0.46	3.35	6.03	3.46
Sand Point 5/	76	41	--	--	571	151	50	1.94	1.30	2.56	8.51	6.95
<b>Southwest</b>												
Boise	79	41	58	-1	894	267	173	1.04	0.76	2.77	5.57	3.57
Caldwell	72	41	57	-4	922	275	274	0.16	-0.05	2.79	3.31	3.10
Emmett	71	38	55	-3	796	224	182	0.87	0.59	1.86	3.35	3.67
Mountain Home	79	41	58	0	876	264	147	0.98	0.78	3.22	4.92	2.70
Parma	69	41	57	-2	828	228	185	0.70	0.45	1.23	2.70	2.98
Weiser	72	38	56	-3	909	283	196	0.83	0.59	2.07	3.89	2.94
<b>Southcentral</b>												
Buhl 5/	--	--	--	--	557	113	82	--	-0.28	--	--	2.83
Burley	77	40	56	0	572	123	97	1.37	1.09	4.46	7.87	3.01
Hill City	71	34	50	-1	300	25	4	2.64	2.38	3.93	7.48	3.10
Hagerman 5/	--	--	--	--	991	351	242	--	-0.22	--	--	2.59
Malta	72	37	57	2	587	138	73	0.93	0.55	2.54	4.71	2.80
Twin Falls	71	40	55	1	607	142	63	1.13	0.82	2.97	7.30	3.20
<b>East</b>												
Aberdeen	75	34	53	0	367	60	34	0.94	0.68	2.39	4.61	2.44
Grace	78	38	56	4	330	51	15	0.01	-0.51	1.99	3.61	4.36
Idaho Falls	74	37	54	1	390	54	34	0.94	0.57	2.69	5.35	3.07
Malad City	81	38	60	6	541	142	47	1.10	0.62	1.44	4.43	3.84
Pocatello	76	38	56	1	500	96	56	1.34	1.00	3.10	7.29	3.63
Rexburg	74	38	55	1	378	62	31	1.02	0.54	2.64	5.19	3.72
Salmon 5/	68	43	--	--	550	110	--	0.15	--	0.60	1.42	--

1/ Weekly summary provided by the Western Regional Climate Center with data reported by the National Weather Service. When data is quality controlled by the National Climate Center the accumulated growing degree days and precipitation values are updated. 2/-- indicate missing or incomplete data. 3/ Weekly departure from normal. 4/ Totals from March 1. Growing degree days are estimated from neighboring sites for stations with missing or incomplete data. 5/ Precipitation totals are only for days reports were received, no estimates were made for missing data.